



E.W. Development, seeks a license to put storage tanks for 37,000 gallons of propane underground at Endicott Woods.

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70 Endicott seeks underground propane storage

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The Board of Selectmen will decide whether developers E.W. Development can store 37,000 gallons of propane underground at 70 Endicott.

The Boston-based developers are part of the project team for Endicott Woods, a 14 building, 112-unit townhome development on 13.5 acres of land at the end of Endicott Street, near the Norwood Commerce Center, that has been nearing completion.

The hearing for the developer's application for a license to store flammable fluids will take place on Feb. 9 at 7 p.m. in room 34 of Town Hall. The developers plan to heat the townhomes with gas heating.

According to E.W. development, they would likely use 750 gallon tanks, if approved, and the tanks would be scattered throughout the site according to where the townhomes are.

"Each of the groups of townhouse-condos will have a separate underground storage tank or tanks serving that cluster of units," Lt. Paul Butters of the Norwood Fire Department said. "A License - and public hearing - is required as opposed to a permit because the aggregate

Propane

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Owner Paul Angelo wants to demolish 82-84 Chapel Street and replace the existing building with single-bed condos. Residents are concerned about how the changes may affect traffic, parking and drainage.

PHOTO BY SAM NICKERSON

Residents concerned with development plans for restaurant site

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

Chapel and Cedar Street residents are upset over a proposal to demolish 82-84 Chapel St. and replace it with eight condos.

During a Zoning Board of Appeals hearing on Jan. 5, Attorney Jim Hilliard introduced a plan on behalf of his client Paul Angelo, to demolish the current building on the plot - which has stood for over 90 years - which now houses residences accounting for 11 bedrooms with 13 residents and The Take Away, a fast food restaurant. The building has had commercial use since the 1940s, Hilliard said.

Now, since no major renovations had been done in 40-50 years, Hilliard said, Angelo

sought to erect a new, 4,300 square-foot building - a 31 percent increased expansion from the existing footprint - with eight one-bedroom condo units that would be for sale instead of for rent.

The project came before the ZBA because it was requesting a special permit to allow the reconstruction in a different footprint of a new structure where a preexisting nonconforming structure now stands, while extending or altering the nonconforming use designation to remain.

Under the Town's Zoning Bylaw, the current occupancy should dictate 12 parking spaces, but there are only 4-5 that exist, Hilliard said. The front of the building is also encroaching on the required 20-foot front setback by 18 feet. These are all legal non-

conforming uses, Hilliard said.

According to Hilliard and project engineer John Gloucester, the project would alleviate parking and traffic issues on the street when the restaurant is busy, as well as eliminate the fried food odor in the neighborhood. The new building would conform to setback requirements and rights for commercial use would be immediately abandoned, meaning no commercial use could again take place at the site.

Though no renderings would be provided, Hilliard said the project would be a "positive improvement on the aesthetics of the neighborhood," estimated

Chapel Street

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Budget Balancing Committee to explore operational override

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

Members of the Budget Balancing Committee discussed the possibility of an operational override for the fiscal year 2017 budget during its first meeting of the budget cycle.

Before the committee voted to create a working group that would explore the possibility of an override package in Norwood, Town Accountant Tom McQuaid summarized the first pass budgets that were submitted from both the Schools and general government. Together, the budgets accounted for \$174.6 million.

Collectively, both sides were around \$3,950,000 over the projections for available funds, with the School side over by \$2 mil-

lion of its \$40.5 million allotment and the town side was over almost as much for its \$33 million allotment. That said, Town Manager John Carroll said that between shifting certain items to capital projects and cutting some from existing departmental budgets, the general government side could stretch the available funds to fit its needs.

McQuaid said projections for additional revenue appeared lower than what could cover the budget gaps.

"We're not going to pull \$4 million of revenue out of a hat," he said.

Towards the end of the meeting, after the committee explored the 20+ FTE's added to the Schools' budget in order to continue to provide required services to students - Superintendent

James Hayden said they had already made use of many of last year's recommendations to pull money from revolving accounts and could not use capital borrowing for things like salaries, which make up 81 percent of this year's budget - Selectman Bill Plasko put forth an idea he said comes up each year, but always seemingly too late: an override.

"If there is any honest concern we're going to go that way, we should be discussing it now," Plasko said.

Plasko said the option would have to be fleshed out before ballots for the April municipal election were closed, as the issue would need to be approved by voters and through annual Town Meeting, though not necessarily in any particular order.

If the issue did not make it

onto the ballot for the April election, the Town could call a special election, which Plasko said would cost at least \$10,000-\$12,000 extra.

Chairman Courtney Rau Rogers said the issue had not been brought up in any depth at any recent School Committee meetings, and Finance Commissioner Joe Greeley suggested that if an override was to be explored, other options, including trash fees, should also be looked at.

"We need to talk about any kind of revenue available. It's not going to go away. It's only going to get worse if we don't deal with it," Greeley said. "It shouldn't be one side of the house against the other side of the house. That's probably the worst thing that any of us can envision."

Rau said the override would not necessarily be restricted to just the Schools, but the issue of how the override would shake out over the next few years remained. Finance Commissioner Judy Langone asked what would happen in the future, and if an override would then be needed each year.

"If don't have revenue to do (what you would like to do), you're going to have to work within what you're given as revenue," she said.

Greeley said it would be a multi-year process.

"We all know that money is just going to get sucked into the machine. That's year one. Year two, it's spot on that we can't just look at added revenue as solu-

Override

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condos would be in the \$200,000 range and the building could add around \$150,000 in taxes for the Town.

Gloucester also said the rear of the site sat lower than the front of the site, and lower than both Chapel and Cedar streets. As such, drainage was a major focus. To accommodate all of the parking for the building without adding impervious surface to the site, Gloucester said parking would be moved to the front of the building, which would also be landscaped.

The project's aim was that while there would be no decrease in water from the site, there would be no increase either. The project proposes using catch basins into underground trenches that can treat up to a one-year storm, and using the existing 24-inch drain in Chapel Street for larger overflow. The roof pitches back towards the rear, where there is a low point that collects water.

Hilliard said he didn't believe there were any issues with the building causing wet basements in other homes.

When asked if the applicants had spoken with the neighbors regarding the project, a loud "no" rose from the dozens of residents who attended the meeting.

Attorney Richard Staiti, who represented the neighbors, presented a signed petition and said

that relief to continue a preexisting nonconforming designation could only be granted when the footprint remains the same as the original building.

Staiti, citing the Zoning By-law, also said the relief cannot be granted because the project is more detrimental to the neighborhood, considering its size. Residents were also concerned about the drainage and flooding onto Cedar Street and the possibility of a vernal pool in the area, which would trigger wetlands restrictions through the Conservation Commission.

Staiti said the traffic plan, with an entrance on Chapel and exit on Cedar, was inadequate. He said without renderings, visual compatibility was a concern and that neighbors would suffer visual plight from the lights of cars parked out front.

Staiti said the current structure may not even be a valid preexisting nonconforming structure because the actual number of bedrooms was unclear based on building inspector data, though an older assessor's record shows only six bedrooms - meaning the new project would not be decreasing the number of units, but would be adding two.

"We think the eight proposed units for this location is an excessive expansion in size and density of use of this parcel," Staiti said, noting that new buildings should be within the

same footprint and parking should be respectful of neighbors. "These neighbors are your neighbors, they are your citizens and they have valid concerns."

Cedar Street resident Adam Jablonski was concerned with how expanding the building could impact runoff, including from snow melt.

"I think it's going to flood properties," He said. "I think it's going to be a major problem."

Another Cedar Street resident, Joan Parker, said the key-hole-shaped lot would put more stress onto "our ancient water delivery and waste removal systems," that parking issues would take place on both streets, and traffic would pick up, especially with trash and recycling pick up for the building. She said there was considerable evidence the low area where water collects is in fact a vernal pool, and children used to call it "the swamp" due to its consistent moisture.

After a number of other residents came forward with similar issues, the ZBA decided to continue the hearing to Feb. 16.

Hilliard said the project team would look more into impacts and would be willing to meet with representatives from the neighborhood.

"We're not going to resolve all of the issues put forward," he said. "[We will] certainly attempt the ones we can."

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Winter Concert Series to begin this Sunday

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The Norwood Concerts on the Common Committee announced its 2016 Winter Concert Series during a Board of Selectmen meeting on Jan. 19.

The series will consist of four Sundays - running from Jan. 24 - Feb. 14 - from 2-4p.m. at the Paul M. Alberta Performing Arts Center at Norwood High School. Admission is free to all of the concerts.

Committee chairman Paul Eysie said the group first came together 24 years ago, and many of the members today are all founding

members. He thanked them for their work and read aloud the four levels of sponsors to thank them as well.

"It's a pleasure to work with everybody, we always get the job done and we're looking forward to another season," Eysie said. "It's the sponsors that pay for this program."

The S.O.S Big Band will kick off the series on Sunday, followed by the Tom Nutile Big Band on Jan. 31, the Roy Scott Big Band on Feb. 7 and the Westwood Swing Band on Feb. 14. Most of the acts are familiar with Norwood and have performed at previous Concerts on the Common

events.

Eysie urged residents to "come out of your house, come out to the high school" and stay warm with their neighbors whilst enjoying the free entertainment and refreshments.

The Selectmen thanked the Committee and the sponsors for their work and generosity each year.

"It seems to be a labor of love for everyone involved," Selectman Mike Lyons said, noting that Town officials and volunteers know how much goes into sitting on committees such as these. "Norwood is a very special town, a very lucky town."

Local playwright to read at library

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

This February, Norwood residents will have an opportunity to hear a play by one of their own at the Morrill Memorial Library.

As part of a program put on by Playwright's Reading Room, Norwood resident Laura Neill will be presenting a reading of her new play Skin and Bones.

The play, inspired by Merrimack Repertory Theater in Lowell, tells the story of what happens when the theater world and the fighting entertainment world collide and are forced to interact.

Neill, an English teacher at Westwood High School, and moved to Norwood in 2014. She began writing plays in college, and won the Eleanor Frost Playwriting contest in 2012. She developed her work at Dartmouth College, Brown University and RISD and has a script that will be performed by

the Wilbury Theatre Group in Providence.

Playwright's Reading Group is a group of Playwrights - including Neill - who put on inexpensive readings of their plays at libraries around the Boston area. The group stemmed from conversations on Facebook groups about the struggles of getting new plays out to the general public. Patti Cassidy is a founding member of the group.

"What I suggested was, why don't we do readings, which only take a minimal amount of organization, so why don't we basically put up readings of new work," Cassidy said. "Then the question of venue came up, which always comes up. I worked with libraries before, so I asked if anybody in

the Boston area was interested in trying to put together some readings for libraries here."

Neill signed on immediately, and later brought on Rosa Nagle. For Neill, both audience and playwright benefit from these types of readings.

"It's a need that has to be filled," she said. "It's a really easy way to access literature, and a vivid interesting form of

play

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Anyone who follows sports is familiar with former NFL football coach Jim Mora's famous incredulous expression during an interview constantly aired on television, "Playoffs?! Playoffs?! You're talking playoffs?!". During a time when his team wasn't doing so well. Now, take out the word playoffs from that phrase and insert "override" in its place, and you will have probably captured the sentiment of most Norwood residents when they first hear that an operational override is going to be considered in the spring. It just seems like the word rolled off the tongues easier

than it should have for public officials during a recent Budget Balancing Committee meeting. It is going to be a very hard sell to residents, and it should be.

Typically, discussions of town overrides revolve around the need to build or buy something. A new school, library, DPW yard, land for a specific

purpose or just to hold onto are just a few of the many reasons residents are asked to dig deeper into their pockets. And if a case is compelling enough, more often than not residents will vote to approve one, though there is certainly no guarantee. Some towns, like Westwood for example, rarely meet an override

they didn't embrace. Other towns, like Norwood, are more introspective. If you want an override here, you have to earn it.

At the Budget Balancing Committee meeting an override was placed on the table for discussion upon learning that both the general government and the school side of the Town's total budget were well over there projected allotment of funds, which should come as no surprise to anyone who has ever followed Norwood's budget process. What should come as a surprise was the immediate suggestion of an override. Now, to be fair, the subject by Selectman Bill Plasko to consider one was not an endorsement. He was simply explaining to people that should it be determined they needed one, the discussion had to start now. Plasko's understanding of how Norwood's government works is invaluable in these kinds of cases.

Given that overrides can be permanent or temporary, though even temporary overrides tend to last for at least several years, if not a couple of decades, it will be imperative that officials explain where the endpoint will be for taxpayers. Will it be an override in perpetuity, or will there be a time limit on it? Will there need to be multiple overrides, perhaps when one ends another will be immediately placed on the

table for discussion? These are reasonable questions, because if an override is sought simply because your government has determined spending is going to exceed revenue, which it does every year, you may as well throw Prop 2 1/2 in the trashcan. And even that will cost you, because now the subject of rubbish collection fees was also brought forth as an alternative to raise money.

John Carroll has already admitted that the general side of the Town budget can probably be whittled down enough to live within their means. The schools? Not so much. Granted, they are facing unprecedented demands given the mandate to provide special education services for those needing it, and Norwood will soon be facing a larger population of students to educate should all of these multi unit housing proposals be approved, but has enough been done to avoid an override via a review of the Town budget as a whole and through either a redistribution of funds across budgets or combining of services to save money, or just challenging line item by line item budgets submitted to extract the "it would be nice to have" from the essential components of the overall request?

Should the new committee established to consider an override determine one is needed, these are the questions they will need to provide answers to. It is much easier to point to something tangible like a building or a piece of land to justify an override. Throwing up your hands and declaring we just need more money is a lot more difficult to swallow.

OPINION

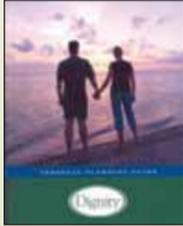
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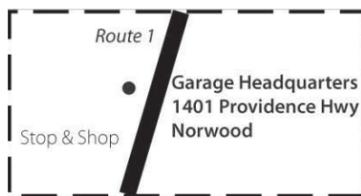
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Masons host annual TONY Awards

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter

The Orient Lodge of Masons hosted the 46th Annual Ten Outstanding Norwood Youth (T.O.N.Y.) Awards on Jan. 18.

This year, 35 Norwood youth were nominated. The winners included: Mikayla Metcalf, Sinead O'Brien, Elizabeth Tobio, Brian McDonough, Mary Erickson, Laura Butts, Julianne Marder, Erin Kelly, Alyssa Chamberlain and Maura O'Neill. All are Norwood High School students, except for Marder, who attends Fontbonne Academy.

"It's pretty awesome to be honored because you work hard, you put in a lot of work at all the activities you have at school, and a lot of us work really hard to do well at these

things," Kelly said.

The ceremony and banquet featured guest speaker Debbie Holmwood, who is an active community volunteer and public official on the Planning Board. The judges this year included: DPW Superintendent Mark Ryan, Rev. Len Warner, Richard Cushing of the Orient Lodge, businesswoman Tamara Cullaz and Joan Driscoll of the Norwood Women's Community Committee.

This year, the Joe Pierce Scouting Award went to Girl Scout and Norwood High junior Mary Erickson. Erickson said she is planning out her Gold Award for Girls Scouts, for which she has until the end of her senior year, and intends to study healthcare or science in college.

"It's really an honor to even be nominated," she said. "It's

great to receive it. Just being here is pretty amazing."

For her dedication to her faith among all her other accomplishments, senior Mikayla Metcalf was selected as the Father Robert Dwyer Memorial Award winner.

"It feels amazing. I didn't expect to get one, let alone two," Metcalf said. "I didn't expect that all of my volunteer work would come to awards."

Metcalf said the ceremony shows how involved Norwood students are in their community. She intends to go to college next year and to become an elementary special education teacher. Michael McDonough was also impressed with how active all of the nominees were.

"I never realized how much we did at Norwood High. I realize a lot of the private schools in the area have requirements for public service and we don't. They do it because of good in their heart," he said.

McDonough, a senior, plans to study biology in college and was shocked to learn he had been named a winner.

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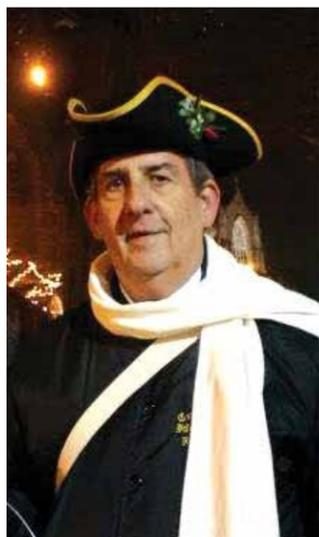
Notice is hereby given that the Board of Selectman of the Town of Norwood will conduct a public hearing on Tuesday, February 9, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. in Room 34, Norwood Town Hall, on application of E.W. Development, 101 Federal Street, Boston, MA for storage of 37,000 gallons of propane underground as follows: 37,000 gallons of propane stored at 70 Endicott street, nearest cross street Walpole Street (Rt. 1A) as shown on plan on file with the Town Clerk, Room 32, Municipal Building, and available for inspection.

BOARD OF SELCTMAN
By Paul A. Bishop, Chairman

Norwood Record, January 21, 2016

Residents mourn Paul Wanecek

Sam Nickerson
Staff Reporter



Residents and Town officials took to social media and the internet to mourn the passing of resident Paul Wanecek. Wanecek, who recently retired from the Town of Norwood Board of Assessors, served the Town for many years and also was an integral part of the Norwood Colonial Boys Fife and Drum Corps.

With the Colonial Boys, Wanecek marched in parades with the Color Guard and carried the American

Flag. A statement from the Corps said Wanecek was always great at helping new members stay in step. He also served as treasurer for the Corps' Board of Directors.

"We are sad to announce that last night a proud member of this Corps passed away," the statement read. "Rest in Peace Paul, you will be greatly missed."

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An evening special registration session will be held at the Municipal Building, Room 32 on Wednesday, February 10, 2016 from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.

This is the FINAL REGISTRATION SESSION prior to the Presidential Primary Election.

Daily registration of voters will be conducted at the Town Clerk's office, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 P.M.

A mail-in registration form is now available at Norwood Morrill Memorial Library and the Norwood Post Office.

Qualifications to register to vote are that the applicants must be 18 years old on or before election day and must either be born in the United States or be a Naturalized Citizen.

Town Office Nomination Papers

The Town Clerk's Office wishes to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that nomination papers for the Annual Town Election to be held on Monday, April 4, 2016 are available in the Town Clerk's Office.

Requirements for filing nomination papers:

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Anyone wishing to run for Town Meeting Member who is not a candidate for re-election needs to obtain 10 signatures of qualified voters in their district.

The nomination papers must be submitted to the Town Clerk's office by Tuesday, February 16, 2016 by 5:00 PM.

Dog Licenses

The Town Clerk's Office would like to inform the residents of the Town of Norwood that the 2016 Dog Licenses are now available.

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The Town Clerk's office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 4:00 PM.



The Orient Lodge of Masons held its annual T.O.N.Y. Award banquet on Jan. 18, and selected 10 winners, who received financial and other prizes for their dedication to academics, community, faith and extracurriculars.

PHOTO BY SAM NICKERSON

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"When I found out, it was immediately an honor," McDonough said. "After listening to everything that everyone here has done, it was crazy to think that I would win."

The other nominees included Alloonee Adhikari, Laura Ailinger, Marlene Antas, Arielly Beltre, Hannah Benson, Caitlin Brincklow, Shannon Carey, Alyssa Chamberlain, Daniel Chiaravalloti, Kyle Condon, Caroline Cox, Rachel Cullinane, Brian Curley, Rebecca

Dundon, Aidan Flores, Lauren Gillis, Aine Glavin, Nichole Hayes, Coleman Ivory, Zachary Kimmett, Julia Lynch, Jessica Maldonado, Jessica Nee, Susan Quintana, Samantha Shea and Sally Trieu.

As always, David Laronde of the Orient Lodge told the crowd that all of the nominees were winners and they were invited to the banquet to recognize that.

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entertainment ... it allows us to bring work to the community for free. The part of it on the playwrights side is, it's really valuable to hear work out loud in front of audience while it's in development."

Cassidy said they began with the Watertown Public Library winter, which gave its full support to the group after surveying its members and finding they wanted more theatre programs. Neill found the Norwood Library was not far behind, and said April Cushing

was instrumental in bringing the program to life in Norwood.

"Norwood said, "terrific what can we do to get behind you?" Cassidy said. "The very first performance there was a night of three one-act plays. There were no extra seats in house."

Now, the group has added more Watertown, Norwood and now Arlington library dates to its 2016 calendar. They have secured funding from the Watertown Cultural Council and anticipate more from the Norwood Cultural Council. The events feature works by the three playwrights and others they've worked with, but Cassidy stressed they are not accepting scripts at this time.

Neill said she has not invited her students to the February reading - her play used the F-word, she said - but has



Laura Neill

found that being a playwright has helped inform her approach as a teacher.

"Being a playwright helps me want to help my students create things," she said. "I'm really trying to empower them to create things, and it doesn't have to be plays. I want them to use language and have an impact with it ... and see themselves as people who can craft their own narratives and share them with the world."

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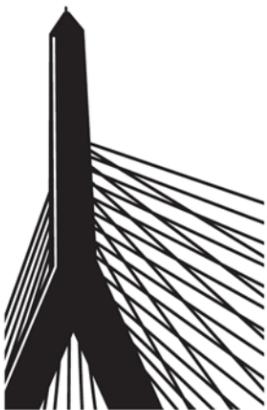
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Sports

Boys hoops atop Herget despite loss to Walpole

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

The basketball season is nearly halfway gone, and the Norwood Mustangs reside alone in first place in the Bay State Conference's Herget Division.

Even after a 60-49 setback on the road vs. the Walpole Rebels on Friday night, the Mustangs (8-3, 7-2 BSC) hold a two-game lead in the Herget over Walpole (6-6, 5-4 BSC). Which is why Norwood head coach Rich Cormier believes it was the Rebels who succeeded in showing they could play with the Mustangs, not the other way around.

"I don't think we have to prove we can play with them, we're in first place," said Cormier after the loss, a third straight win for the Rebels in the series.

Cormier cited the experience on both rosters; Norwood has 10 seniors, compared to six on Walpole. The Mustangs starting five on Friday night was comprised entirely of seniors, while the Rebels started just one.

Which made the loss all the more tough to take.

"We didn't handle the frustration level well," said Cormier, who saw his team's three-game winning streak come to an end. "I think we were all frustrated for a variety of reasons, and unfortunately tonight we didn't

keep our composure, like we've been able to do in the past. This has to be a learning experience, because there's going to be a lot of games like this down the stretch."

Walpole used a 9-1 burst to run away from Norwood in the fourth quarter, which began with a Chris Bell putback to get the Mustangs within one point, at 41-40.

Norwood led by as many as eight in the first half, but saw its lead decrease to one at halftime. The latest the Mustangs led was 38-37, and the Rebels took the lead for good on Andrew Noyes' buzzer-beating 3-pointer at the end of the third quarter to go on top 41-38.

"I don't think we had a good three quarters, I think we played terrible," said Cormier, with consideration given to the raised expectations with this year's group. "I think we played hard, but I don't think we executed well."

A monster night for Jordan Curry went for naught, as the senior pulled down a season-high 13 rebounds for his second double-double of the season; he also finished with 13 points to lead the team, his second straight game in double figures.

Everything seemed to be coming up Mustangs in the first quarter, closing the period on a 12-2 run to take a 16-10 lead. Curry sank a 3 on one offensive

set, and gained three the old-fashioned way by driving in from beyond the arc, drawing a foul and nailing his free throw on the subsequent set. Bell, who finished with 11 points, put back a missed 3 by Natanael Fonseca Castro at the buzzer to further the Norwood momentum.

Jove Dorisca made a layup to give the Mustangs their largest lead of the night on the first play of the second quarter, but the Rebels were able to regroup and prevent Norwood from putting the game away. The Mustangs led 23-22 at the half.

Again, Norwood looked strong early in the quarter, with Conor Riggle connecting from 3 to make it a two-score game. But the four points were the most the Mustangs would lead by again.

"We committed stupid fouls, we didn't make free throws, we didn't make layups," said Cormier. Norwood shot 11-for-19 from the line, compared to 15-for-21 for Walpole. "The effort was there, I have no issue with the effort. We didn't execute, and then they made the shots when they needed to."

Riggle finished with eight points, the Mustangs' third-leading scorer on the night, while Jarred Houston finished with seven. Daniel Ugochukwu and Dorisca had four points, and Michael James also got on the score sheet with two.

"We were trying to be aggressive defensively and it backfired tonight, and that's on me," said Cormier of the fourth quarter. "They were able to break our pressure, find open guys and knock down shots."

Comparatively speaking,



Richie Watson spelled Chris Bell at point guard on Friday night, enabling Bell to play off the ball more than he has in the past. Norwood's two losses in conference play this season have been against arguably its biggest rivals, first Dedham and now Walpole.

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this trip to Walpole wasn't quite as bad as last year's for the Mustangs, when they saw a 45-41 lead evaporate into a 70-51 loss. Norwood's last win in Walpole came on Feb. 12, 2013, a 69-56 victory for the Mustangs. Bell, the lone member of this year's team to play in that game, finished with three points as a freshman.

The two Herget Division

rivals will face off again next month, on Feb. 11 in Norwood as part of another double header with the girls teams.

The Mustangs got back on track in a big way on Tuesday night, with a 32-point annihilation of the Milton Wildcats, 77-45. The 77 points were the most Norwood has scored this season, and the 32 points was the

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Girls Basketball routs rival Walpole, 50-25

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

Stifling defense propelled Norwood's doubling up of Walpole last Friday night, 50-25, establishing a season-low for points allowed in the process.

On the flip side, the 50 points scored were the fewest for the Mustangs (8-2) in a win this season, and the third-fewest overall, ahead of only their two losses.

With only one player cracking double figures in scoring (Kaylin Reen, with 11 points), Norwood head coach Amy Lepley had to find other ways to grind out a win against the Rebels in Walpole, in her first game as varsity head coach in the rivalry.

"Our goal was to hold them under 42, so I'm very, very proud of my girls," said Lepley after Walpole failed to reach 10 points in any single quarter. "Sometimes the shots don't fall, and that's when you have to rely on your defense to keep you in the game."

The Rebels kept pace early, with Kelly Fogarty scoring six of her team's first seven points to force a 7-7 tie. Norwood's response was a 20-2 run that wrapped around the end of the first and beginning of the third quarters, Walpole's only points of the second quarter on a pair of free throws.

"We've preached defense all year, and we work on it every single day," said Lepley, praising

the work Hannah Benson and Maura O'Neill did on Fogarty after the first quarter.

It was a quiet night on the scoring front for Meghan Reen, Norwood's leading scorer, totaling just five points. Her other talents were on full display, however, with nine assists in the game.

"That's why she's such a versatile player, and I'm so lucky to have her," said Lepley. "The other girls all stepped up, they made baskets when they needed to. But the fact she only had five points, but such an impact on the game, just shows what a great player she is."

Meghan Reen's passing acumen enabled Norwood to start opening the game up at the end of

the first quarter, with feeds to Krista Bradley and Cait Brincklow extending its lead to 13-7 after eight minutes of play.

Perhaps her finest assist of the night came as time expired in the third quarter, when she executed a perfect baseball pass from across half court to a wide open Ally Copponi, who made a layup to get Norwood's lead to 20 entering the fourth.

Three-point shooting wasn't a key part of the Mustangs offensive game plan, as they attempted just six all game. Their low volume certainly wasn't due to efficiency, as the team shot 50 percent from deep (3-for-6, with

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Junior captain Meghan Reen still leads the Mustangs in scoring, even after a five point night vs. Walpole.

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Norwood captain Brian King prepares to make a move on an inbound play underneath the Mustangs basket in the first quarter.

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largest margin of victory for the team since a Feb. 18, 2013 victory over the Hampden Charter School of Science, 72-29.

Norwood travels to

Framingham on Friday night at 6:30 p.m., where they'll face a Flyers team that's 5-5 overall, 4-4 in the BSC.

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Kaylin Reen supplying all of the makes on five shots).

Kaylin Reen made all of her 3s count, connecting on her lone take of the second quarter. Her second made trey capped Norwood's 20-2 run, and after Walpole finally snapped their shooting funk, she sank one more to make it clear there would be no epic comeback for the Rebels.

Alyssa Chamberlain finished with nine points to finish second on the team, with Bradley right behind at eight. In all, nine Mustangs figured into the scoring.

It was Norwood's first win over Walpole since Jan. 17, 2014, a 56-42 decision at Norwood High School. The Mustangs had lost three in a row in the series since

then, by a combined 11 points. Norwood hadn't won in Walpole since Feb. 17, 2011.

The teams will play again on Feb. 11 in Norwood, as part of another doubleheader with the boys program.

"We have all the respect in the world for that team," said Lepley, citing Walpole's presence as a program dating back to her playing days at Bishop Feehan High School from 2005-09. "I know that when we play them at home, they're going to give us a very good game. We're looking forward to it."

The Mustangs kept their winning ways intact on Tuesday night with a 50-37 win on the road over the Milton Wildcats.

Girls Hockey falls to Weymouth

Jake Levin
Staff Reporter

A myriad of failed breakaways haunted Norwood in a 3-2 loss to Weymouth, the game a perfect microcosm of the rebuilding Mustangs' season to date.

In addition to the squandering of scoring chances, Norwood took an uncharacteristically high number of penalties in the game last Wednesday at Bajko Arena, with six minors served, including three in the third period.

Mustangs' head coach Tim Coskren was pleased overall with his team's effort, even more so than what they displayed in a 1-1 tie with Westwood two days prior. But he couldn't shake the feeling of coming up empty-handed on a total of five breakaways, when even one successful bid could have meant coming away with a point.

"You can't miss opportunities when you're in a game you have a chance to win," said Coskren after the game. "You've got to bury the puck. We had four or five golden opportunities on breakaways; to come up with nothing, to come up empty, that stinks."

Wildcats goalie Peyton Beady, a freshman, came up with 18 saves, including a perfect mark on Mustang breakaways, stopping all five such chances. Janelle Kelleher suffered a tough-luck loss in net for Norwood, coming up with

26 stops.

Rose Campbell and Madison O'Rourke provided the offense for Norwood, with O'Rourke also assisting on Campbell's goal. Franki DeVingo and Hannah Gillis also earned points on assists for the Mustangs.

"Probably the best second period we've played, and third period," concluded Coskren, despite the end result. Norwood's record now stands at 1-10-1, a far cry from the 11-5-4 team that won a tournament game a season ago. "Can't be taking penalties like that, we're not a team that is very good shorthanded. But I thought their effort was much better, much better than what they've displayed."

Weymouth outplayed the Mustangs for much of the first period, particularly at the beginning. Norwood didn't muster a shot on goal or grab an attacking zone draw until 10:59 remained in the first period, and the Wildcats were rewarded for their efforts with a goal just over a minute later.

Weymouth would never trail in the game, nor be tied after 0-0. They outshot Norwood 11-5 in the first.

Trailing 2-0, O'Rourke flung the puck towards the crease from the leftwing half boards. Campbell was in excellent position to re-direct the puck, receiving it cleanly in the slot and scoring with ease to cut Weymouth's lead in half, 2-1, at 12:48 of the first.

DeVingo broke up a Wildcats 3-on-1 rush in the waning seconds of the first period to keep the Mustangs within reach, perhaps setting a tone for improved play in the second period. Norwood's first shot on goal of the second period was just 15 seconds in, rather than four minutes in like the first.

But Weymouth crushed the momentum with its second power play goal of the afternoon at 8:25 of the second, the goal coming on the heels of a Coley Hayes shorthanded bid that was denied.

O'Rourke crashed the net and scored at 10:35 of the period, getting the Mustangs back within one. Yet despite a 20-9 shots on goal advantage through the final 30 minutes, Norwood would come up short against the 4-3-1 Wildcats in the Bay State Conference cross-division game.

"We played a much better game today than we did on Monday, that's for sure. But it's tough to take a loss like this when we have a hard time as it is," said Coskren.

The Mustangs fell at home again on Monday, this time at Roman Arena in Walpole, to the Leominster/St. Bernard's co-op, 7-2. Hayes scored a pair of goals for Norwood in the first period, after which the Mustangs led 2-1. But Leominster/St. Bernard's responded with six unanswered goals over the remainder of the contest to deal Norwood its second straight loss.



Coley Hayes battles for position at center ice off the opening draw vs. Weymouth last Wednesday. Hayes was held scoreless vs. the Wildcats, but did have two goals in Monday's game vs. Leominster/St. Bernard's.

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DEATHS

ALLENDORF

Carl H. Jr., 45, formerly of Norwood, on Wed Jan. 13. Cherished Life Partner of Elizabeth Grimmond of Cooper Landing, Alaska. Beloved son of Kathleen (Buckley) Allendorf of Norwood and her partner, Ernest Johnson. Loving Brother of Grace Allendorf of Norwood, Molly Allendorf of Boulder, Colo., and Kaylie Curran of Chicago, Ill. Nephew of Patricia Tuli of Phoenix, Ariz., and William J. Buckley Jr. and his wife Lucy of Wellfleet. Grandson of the late William and Julia Buckley. Also survived by his cousins Ram William Tuli of Phoenix, Ariz., Deborah Tuli Kichler of Chandler Ariz., William Buckley III of Bolton, Mass. and Jane Buckley Pomakis of Orleans, Mass., and many close friends. Carl was a Firefighter II and certified Fire Instructor for the Cooper Landing Volunteer Fire Dept. He was also an EMT II for their ambulance crew, and was a devoted member of this team for the past six years. Late Gulf War U.S. ARMY Vet., and Maintenance Associate for the Kenai Princess Lodge of Cooper Landing, Alaska, and member of the Elks. Visiting hours 4 - 8 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 21 at Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St. (Rt. 1A) NORWOOD. Interment private. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in his memory may be made to Norwood Historical Society, 93 Day St., Norwood, MA 02062.

CLARK

Kenneth H., 83, of Norwood, on Jan 11. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of the Korean War, serving with the Seabees. Mr. Clark was a graduate of Franklin High School, Tabor Academy and Wentworth Institute of Technology. He was a Master Mason with the Orient Lodge of Masons in Norwood and was a past Dad Advisor for the Norwood Assembly of Rainbow Girls. He was an avid golfer, fisherman and enjoyed wood working, making cherished pieces for his great grandchildren. The best times were spent with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Beloved husband of the late Shirley (Brauer) Clark; loving father of Cynthia Kelley and her husband Kevin of Attleboro; devoted grandfather of Meaghan Ouellette and her husband Joseph and Michael Kelley and his wife Whitney, all of Attleboro; cherished great-grandfather of Gregory Kelley, Shane and Melody Ouellette. He was also survived by his sister, Virginia Hobbs of Franklin, a nephew, two nieces and two great-nieces. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole Street (Rte. 1A), Norwood. Interment with military honors will follow the service in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Memorial contributions in memory of Kenneth H. Clark may be made to Muscular Dystrophy Association, PO Box 97075, Washington, DC 20077-7258 or to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, Inc. (Male Breast Cancer Research), 2600 Network Blvd, Suite 300 Frisco, TX 75034

DONOVAN

Ann E., 99, of Norwood, on Jan. 10. Beloved daughter of the late Francis X. and Elizabeth (Breslin) Donovan. Ms. Donovan was a 1938 graduate of Mount Auburn Hospital School of Nursing and a 1955 graduate of the University of Minnesota, where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in Nursing Education. She was a highly decorated Navy veteran, having served in World War II, Korea and Vietnam, retiring as Lieutenant Commander. Beloved sister of Eileen M. Hayden of Florida, and the late Francis, James, Paul, Philip and Raymond Donovan and Mary V. Shea. She is also survived by many loving nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St. (Rte. 1A), Norwood. Interment with military honors will follow the service in St. Joseph's Cemetery, West Roxbury. Memorial contributions in memory of Ann E. Donovan may be made to St. Clements School, 579 Boston Street, Medford, MA 02155.

JOYCE

William J., 91, of Norwood, on Jan. 13. Late retired Firefighter for 32 years for the Town of Norwood. Beloved husband of the late Barbara E. (Costello) Joyce. Devoted father of Mary Joyce of La Mesa, Calif., William Joyce Jr. and his wife Mary Beth of Norwood, Thomas Joyce and his wife Beth of San Diego, Calif., Paul Joyce and his wife Fran of Sturbridge, and Eileen Rich and her husband David of Upton. Loving grandfather of Stefanie Joyce of Norwood, Patrick Joyce of Westminster, Colo., Dillon Joyce of Palo Alto, Calif., Tayla Joyce of San Diego Calif., Sean Joyce of Arlington, Va., Bridget and Kerry Joyce of Sturbridge, and Declan and Elyse Rich of Upton. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St. (Rt. 1A), Norwood. Interment Highland Cemetery, Norwood. In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy in his memory may be made to the Norwood Firefighters Permanent Relief Association, 135 Nahatan St., Norwood, MA 02062, or the Alzheimer's Association, 311 Arsenal St., Watertown, MA 02472.

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“GARDENING WITH NATIVE PLANTS - WHY IT MATTERS”

On Tuesday, Jan. 26, The Norwood Evening Garden Club will host environmentalist Claudia Thompson speaking about “Gardening with Native Plants - Why it Matters” at 6:45 p.m. at the Carriage House behind the First Baptist Church, 71 Bond St., Norwood. The public is invited to attend for a small donation. Refreshments will be served.

NORWOOD PUB CRAWL FUNDRAISER

Join us for a pub crawl and fundraiser in Norwood center on Saturday, Jan. 23 from 3-6 p.m. Event will include a raffle and silent auction, and tickets are \$20. All proceeds will support the work of Labs4Rescue, a non-profit with local ties, and Homes for Our Troops (HFOT), a national non-profit organization headquartered in Taunton, Mass. HFOT provides mortgage-free, specially adapted homes for severely injured veterans, while Labs4Rescue provides a new life for rescued or displaced Labradors.

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HELP FOR CHILDREN WHO ARE GRIEVING

On Saturday, Jan. 30, from 9:30 a.m. to noon, Community VNA Hospice and Palliative Care, 10 Emory St., Attleboro, Mass. is hosting a children's grief program. Kids' Club is designed to help children ages 5 - 13 to deal with the loss of a significant person in their life. In a supportive and understanding atmosphere, experienced grief specialists guide the children to explore and express their feelings through crafts and sharing. This program is free and open to children from all towns. Pre-registration is required; please call 508-222-0118 or 800-220-0110. Future Kid' Clubs are planned for March 19 and May

21. For more information about this program and other grief support and services, visit www.communityvna.com. Kids' Club is funded under grant support from the TJX Foundation.

DIVORCE RECOVERY

A six-week program for those who are separated or divorced. The series covers the emotional stages of divorce offering support and healing. The group will meet at the First Congregational Church, 100 Winter St. in Norwood, on Wednesday evenings from 7-9 p.m. starting Jan. 27. \$90.00 fee. Call 781-762-3320 to register.

EARLY CHILDHOOD FAIR

On Saturday, Feb. 6, from 10-11:45 a.m., join the Norwood Public Schools for their 16th annual Early Childhood Fair at F.A. Cleveland Elementary School, 33 George F. Willett Parkway, Norwood. There will be Preschool Activities & Crafts, Jungle Jim - Balloon Sculptor, and Music with Miss Tina. All activities are free! There is NO pre-registration required for this event. If you have any questions please call Christine Tomasello at Norwood Public

Schools - (781) 440-5983 or by e-mail ctomasello@norwood.k12.ma.us

ADOPT-A-HYDRANT

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TOWN OF NORWOOD - ZONING BOARD OF APPEAL PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Appeal of the Town of Norwood will hold a **PUBLIC HEARING** in **Memorial Hall of the Municipal Office Building** on **February 2, 2016 at 7:15 PM** on the request of Norwood Avalon, Inc. (Case #15-33) with respect to property located on **150-158 and 165 Lenox Sreet**, in a **M-Manufacturing District**.

This application requests a Comprehensive Permit pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 40B, Section 20 through 23, as amended, to allow for the demolition of existing buildings and reconstruction of the 8.65± site for development of 218 rental dwelling units. Twenty-five percent, or 55 dwelling units will be restricted as affordable to households earning up to 80% AMI.

Plans are on file with this application in the office of the Zoning Board of Appeal and may be viewed during normal working hours, Monday - Thursday, 8:00 am - 4:00 pm.

BOARD OF APPEAL
 Philip W. Riley, Chairman; Patrick J. Mulvehill, Harry T. Spence,
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Miracle Prayer

Dear Heart of Jesus, in the past I have asked You for many favours. This time, I ask you this very special one (mention favour). Take it, dear Heart of Jesus, and place it within Your own broken heart where Your Father sees it. Then, in His merciful eyes, it will become Your favour, not mine. Amen. Say for three days, promise publication and favour will be granted.

—B.F.

Prayer to the Blessed Virgin

(Never known to fail!)

Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the Son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in this necessity. Oh Star of the Sea, help me and show me herein you are my mother. Oh Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth, I humbly beseech thee from the bottom of my heart to succor me in my necessity (make request). There are none that can withstand your power. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (three times). Holy Mary, I place this cause in your hands (three times). Say this prayer for three consecutive days and then you must publish and it will be granted to you. Grateful thanks. —P.G.

St. Jude's Novena

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be adored, glorified, loved and preserved throughout the world, now and forever. Sacred Heart of Jesus pray for us. St. Jude, worker of miracles, pray for us. St. Jude, helper of the hopeless, pray for us. Say this prayer 9 times a day. By the 9th day your prayer will be answered. It has never been known to fail. Publication must be promised. Thank you St. Jude. My Prayers were answered.

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If you are a baby boomer interested in maintaining good health, join nutritionist and author Peg Doyle, M.Ed., at the Morrill Memorial Library on Thursday, Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. for a lively and productive discussion on staying well after age 50. Contrary to popular belief, everything that goes wrong physically after the half-century mark is not necessarily due to "old age." In this interactive presentation, Doyle will share some secrets to living a long, healthy, and potentially medicine-free life. To sign up, please call the library at 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, email norprograms@minlib.net, or

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LOCAL PLAYWRITING GROUP TO PERFORM AT THE LIBRARY

The local theater group "Playwrights Reading Room" (PRR) will perform a series of three original plays at the Morrill Memorial Library, each one to take place on a different Saturday from 2-3:30 p.m. between February and June. The first play, "Skin and Bones," is written by Laura Neill and will be per-

formed on Saturday, Feb. 6. It is about a volunteer theater usher in her sixties named Katharine and Marly, a forty-something bouncer. While the two have seemingly little in common, both are concealing secrets that demand to be told. When their small talk doesn't line up, an unexpected honesty arises between them.

The next play in the series, on Saturday, April 30, is "Chat Rats" by Mary Sue Price. The final play, to be performed on Saturday, June 11, will be announced shortly. To sign up for any or all of these performances-written, directed, and acted by members of PRR-please call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, email norprograms@minlib.net, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk.

"CARE CLOTH" WORK PARTY JAN. 23 AT THE LIBRARY

Imagine having only a public restroom in which to clean yourself up, with noth-

ing but paper towels and electric hand dryers available. For this winter's civic project, Together Yes' Sewstainability group is putting together Care Cloths for the homeless, which are small cloth bundles containing personal hygiene items that can be used anywhere. Please consider volunteering some of your time on Saturday, Jan. 23 at the Morrill Memorial Library between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. to help the homeless. This work party is drop-in; no registration is necessary. Feel free to bring snacks or lunch with you. Any time you can donate to this worthwhile cause is greatly appreciated. Any questions, please email sustain@tgryes.org. Thank you.

HYLANDER PRESENTS LECTURE SERIES ON THE U.S. PRESIDENCY

Join popular historian Dr. Gary Hylander at the Morrill Memorial Library on Monday, Jan. 25 at 7 p.m. for the

first of four presentations on the presidency throughout the upcoming election year: "Hail to the Chief: the Creation of the American Presidency." The Constitutional Convention of 1787 was, in the words of Connecticut governor Samuel Huntington, a "new event" in human history. In the midst of this new event, nothing was newer than the creation of the office of the President and the Electoral College. Unanimously elected the nation's first president, George Washington was well aware of his unique position. "I walk," he wrote, "on untrodden ground." To sign up for this program, funded by the Friends of the Library, call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, email norprograms@minlib.net, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk.

ART OF WINSLOW HOMER AT THE LIBRARY

The Friends of the Library are pleased to welcome back Beth Knaus of ArtMatters to the Morrill Memorial Library on

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MULLEN

Thelma R. (MacDonald), 94 of Norwood, on January 14. Beloved wife of the late Alvin S. Mullen, Jr. Loving mother of Gordon F. Mullen, Alvin S. Mullen, III and his wife Ann, all of Walpole and Robert N. Mullen of Fremont, Calif. Cherished grandmother of Libby of Cambridge and Billy Mullen of Brighton. Sister of Reta Whitney of Somerset, the late Mavis MacDonald and the late Phyllis J. MacDonald. Also survived by her nephews, David Whitney of Stoughton, Douglas Whitney of Foxboro, Roger Dilworth of Hudson, N.H., the late Howard Dilworth, and her niece, Debi Hayes of Litchfield, N.H. Arrangements by the James H. Delaney & Son Funeral Home, 48 Common St., Walpole. Interment at the Knollwood Memorial Park in Canton. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Walpole Scholarship Foundation, P.O. Box 58, East Walpole, MA 02032.

OTTINO

Paul D., 86, of Norwood, on Jan. 10, 2016. Paul was a Navy veteran, serving in Korea. He was an electrician with IBEW Local 103 and member of the Knights of Columbus Norwood Council 252. Beloved husband of the late Barbara (O'Sullivan) Ottino; loving father of Dennis Ottino of Portsmouth, N.H., Cheryl Lingard and her husband Carl of Nashua, N.H., Brian Ottino and his wife Karen of Lynchburg, Va., and Richard Ottino and Penny Newton of Farmington, N.H.; cherished grandfather of Matthew, Andrew and Barbara Ottino. He was also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St. (Rte. 1A), Norwood. Interment at the Mass in Highland Cemetery, Norwood. Memorial contributions in memory of Paul D. Ottino may be made to Home Health & Hospice Care, 7 Executive Park Drive, Merrimack, NH 03054 or to Catholic Charities, 215 Myrtle Street, Manchester, NH 03104.

WEBBER

Mary L. (Balabanis), 77, of Norwood, on Jan. 15. Beloved wife of the late Donald E. Webber. Devoted mother of Melissa DeBartolo and her husband Joseph of Dedham, and Page Martin and her husband David of Norwood. Loving grandmother of Emily, Gina, and Erica DeBartolo, and Dana, Brooke, and Dale Martin. Sister of Nancy Shea, Susan Mason, Theodore and Raymond Balabanis and the late Peter, Edward, Ronald, David Balabanis and Penelope Weber. Funeral arrangements by the Gillooly Funeral Home, 126 Walpole St. (Rt. 1A) Norwood. Interment Old Westwood Cemetery, Westwood.

SENIOR NEWS

ARTS & CRAFTS: Offered every first Thursday of each month at 11 a.m.

BASIC COMPUTER COURSE: A four-part basic computer course is frequently offered to those who wish to learn how to use a computer. Sign-up at the front desk. New class will be announced soon.

BINGO: Every Wednesday, from 12:45 to 3 p.m. \$5 to get started. We have begun a new game, for \$1 with a winner take all prize! You must be here by 12:45 p.m. to play the new game!

BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC: Hellenic Health Care will be available for blood pressure screening on the first Wednesday of each month. Ellis Nursing Home will offer blood pressure screening on the second Wednesday of each month. The Walpole VNA will provide blood pressure screening on the third Wednesday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

BRIDGE: Our Bridge Club meets on Thursdays at 9:15 a.m. in the Library. The Tuesday group has been cancelled.

COMPUTER CLUB: The Computer Club meets every Wednesday at 1 p.m.

CRIBBAGE: Our seniors meet every Monday at 12:45 p.m. to play cribbage.

DIABETES WORKSHOP: The Diabetes Workshop Thursday, Jan. 28 at 11 a.m.

EXCEL CLASSES: Excel classes have resumed. Please sign up.

GLEE CLUB: Glee Club meets every Tuesday at 11:15 a.m.

HANDCRAFTERS: Handcrafters meet every Monday from 1 - 3 p.m.

LINE DANCE CLASSES: held each Tuesday. Class will be held from 1-2 p.m.

MASSAGE THERAPIST: Karen Tracy is here on the first Monday of each month. Please sign up at front desk. Massages are \$30 for half an hour.

POETRY CLUB: Is held on the third Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m., facilitated by Nancy from the Library.

SCRABBLE: Thursday afternoon at 1 p.m. Come and join us for a game.

SHINE: Our SHINE Counselor, Carol, is here to help you with your medical insurance needs on Tuesdays from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. Please call 781-762-1201 for an appointment. **TRIAD:** Jan. 25 at 1 p.m. **WATER COLOR:** The next session is scheduled for Thursday, Jan. 14 at 9 a.m. Payment of \$20 must be made at time of signup.

WHIST: Whist players meet on Tuesdays at 12:45 p.m. in the library.

WHIST PARTY: Whist parties will be held on the fourth Friday of each month 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

JANUARY EVENTS: Norwood Memory Café: Thursday, Jan. 21 1:30-3:30 p.m. Refreshments served. Line Dance with Dave Valero: Jan. 29 at 1 p.m. \$5.

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tion," Greeley said, noting a full, detailed plan would have to be presented to voters and to Town Meeting to sell something that might not resolve the issues in one year.

Carroll said the Committee of 21 had reached a point where he felt it would be feasible for it to endorse an override, and that it wouldn't have to be a "major override" either. He said

the Town was not in "bad shape" as far as debt.

The Committee approved the creation of a subcommittee to explore what an override package might look like by a vote of 6-3, with Allan Howard, Langone and Carroll opposed. Jim Gormley, Greeley and Plasko were named to the subcommittee.

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amount on the parcel of land exceeds 2,000 gallons."

Recent Planning Board discussions about encouraging investment in Norwood's older industrial properties have included the nearby Commerce Center. Among the issues with redeveloping the Commerce Center is ground contamination levels, due to chemical solvents and other solutions stemming

from the Norwood Commerce Center's former uses.

Town Engineer Mark Ryan said E.W. Development has been "trying to have NGRID install gas, but have not been successful in getting it scheduled in time for building occupancy."

The townhomes will feature two bedrooms, one and a half bathrooms and a single car garage and driveway parking.

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Thursday, Jan. 28 at 7 p.m. for an up-close look at the work of Winslow Homer, one of America's most beloved and influential painters. Homer got his start by illustrating scenes from the Civil War for Harper's Magazine, documenting post-war rural Americana and later dramatically exploring man's relationship to nature. To sign up for this program, presented and funded by the Friends, call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, email norprograms@minlib.net, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PRESENTATION

Learn more about the ongoing tragedy of human trafficking with a program by Joan Barry at the Morrill Memorial Library on Tuesday, Jan. 26 at 7 p.m. Ms. Barry, a human trafficking awareness speaker,

will focus on the disturbing reality of sex-trafficking of American-born girls and boys, clarify the myths and misconceptions surrounding this serious and growing problem, and suggest what can be done to help. She is a board member of My Life My Choice, a Boston-based non-profit organization offering mentoring to survivors of sex trafficking as well as training to law enforcement, judiciary, and social service providers. To sign up for this program, call 781-769-0200, x110 or 222, email norprograms@minlib.net, or stop by the library Reference or Information Desk.

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